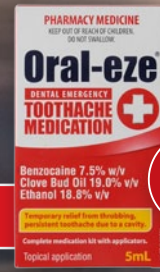


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Pharmacies hit

A **YOUNG** man has been arrested after a spate of pharmacy robberies in the northeast of Perth.

Three pharmacies were robbed in Mirrabooka last Sat, with a man in his 20s "currently assisting police in their investigation" according to a police update.

A resident said they saw detectives at Pharmacy 777 Morley, on the corner of Morley Drive and Crimea Street, on Sat morning.

"I went into the neighbouring Liquorland that afternoon and the staff were talking about how the bloke hit three chemists in a row, so there was a bit of a mad dash from the cops to put his spree to an end," the witness told local news service *Perth Now*.

Police said the man was arrested without a chase, and that anyone with information should inform Crime Stoppers.

AMA warns on "scope creep"

DOCTORS are warning of "risks to safety and health resourcing" if the scope of practice of other health professionals such as pharmacists is inappropriately expanded, saying "inappropriate scope creep for the purposes of trying to fill service gaps is a major threat to the health of the community".

A submission from the Australian Medical Association (AMA) to the current Department of Health scope of practice review says any reform must focus on collaboration.

AMA President Steve Robson said Australia has a very good healthcare system, and "the last thing it needs are band-aid solutions that will result in worse health outcomes for Australians".

"What we don't want to see is more health professions trying to carve out independent roles, which inevitably results in more fragmented care, waste and higher long-term health system costs."

"We need to build on the strengths of our healthcare system,

recognising the skills that different healthcare professions bring to the care of a patient," he said.

At the same time, there is a need to ensure any care takes place in a well-coordinated model that is guided by a doctor's medical diagnosis, asserted Robson.

The submission also highlights that while there are many robust processes in place to allow health professions to expand their scope of practice, they are being ignored by state ministers.

These decisions bypass the processes of the Health Professions Prescribing Pathway and undermine the role of the TGA, he added.

"We need to see consistency across states and a commitment to the agreed-upon pathways.

"We don't want to see more examples of industry lobby groups deciding their own National Board's position on the scope of a profession is not to their liking, and working with the states to undermine that," Robson said. JG

Today's issue of PD

Pharmacy Daily today features two pages of the latest news, plus a full page from Neat Feat.

Drone meds drop

AMAZON customers in College Station, Texas, US, can now receive medications delivered via drones in 60 minutes or less.

The tech powerhouse, which has been pushing into the healthcare industry, said Amazon Pharmacy can get medication dropped outside customers' doors via the drone delivery service at no additional cost.

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Dispensary Corner

IN TOKYO, there is a restaurant where customers are happy to get bad service. You ask for dumplings, and you get miso soup, you order grilled fish, and maybe you get sushi. It's a regular thing for the waiters and waitresses to mix things up, bring the wrong meal, misunderstand what a customer requests, or actually drink the glass of water they were meant to deliver to some table. All this happens at the Restaurant of Mistaken Orders where the wait staff have dementia, *SBS* has reported. It has been organised as a recurring pop-up restaurant to broaden the public's awareness of dementia. The unexpected nature of the inadvertent human mistakes has become, in a way, the actual product of the restaurant, more than the desired meal itself. A Japanese television director, Shiro Oguni, created this business to change perceptions about ageing and progressive cognitive impairment, and to accept varying levels of functionality.

Vic pharmacist training

THE Australasian College of Pharmacy has this morning announced new training courses to support the rollout of the Victorian Community Pharmacist State-wide Pilot, with modules covering travel health, the resupply of select oral contraception for eligible women and the treatment of uncomplicated urinary tract infections in those aged 18-65. On completion of the soon-to-launch Travel Health course, participating pharmacists will be able to provide vaccination and healthcare services for the purpose of travel, while the Oral Contraceptives Course is CPD-accredited and gives pharmacists the knowledge to provide and manage the continuation of oral hormonal contraception for eligible female patients. All of the short courses are free for current College Pharmacists, while non-members can also access a special offer of \$250 which gives them membership along with the Uncomplicated Cystitis Treatment Training, the Oral Contraceptives Course and the new Travel Health Course - more at acp.edu.au. **MEANWHILE** Pharmaceutical Defence Limited (PDL) has confirmed that its Master Policy



automatically includes professional indemnity cover for members considering joining the Victorian Community Pharmacist Statewide Pilot, provided they follow the guidelines and protocols, and that there is no need to inform the insurer of their involvement. PDL has also provided input to the Department of Health regarding risk management for the Victorian Community Pharmacist Statewide Pilot due to start at the end of Oct. Provisionally registered (intern) pharmacists and pharmacists with conditions or undertakings on their registration are excluded from coverage under the policy, PDL said. Pharmacies with a current Guild Pharmacy Business Insurance Policy are also covered for participation in the pilot - more details **HERE**. *JG*

Batch recall alert

METAGENICS is recalling a batch of its Ethical Nutrients Mega Magnesium Raspberry Powder due to high pyridoxine (vitamin B6) content, the TGA has reported. The Mega Magnesium Raspberry Powder's affected batch number is 007764 with an expiry date of Jul 2025, with the affected product already distributed nationwide. Due to a manufacturing error, the pyridoxine content is twice the amount stated on the label, warned the TGA. "This means that it slightly exceeds the 100mg maximum recommended daily dose. "Ingestion of excessive pyridoxine may cause tingling, burning and numbness," with customers asked to stop using the product and returning it to the place of purchase for a refund, the TGA concluded.



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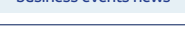
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